

**MINUTES**  
**MARION CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING**  
**SHANNON WILKERSON GYM**  
**MONDAY, JULY 6, 2020 AT 5:30 P.M.**

**MAYOR/COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT:**

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| Mayor Ashley Brady        | Councilman Joseph Frazier  |
| Councilwoman Tassie Lewis | Councilman Ronald Atkinson |
| Councilman Ralph Atkinson | Mayor Pro Tem Emerson Hunt |
| Councilman Michael Baker  |                            |

**STAFF PRESENT:**

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| Alan Ammons, City Administrator | Chris Smith, Captain |
| Ainsley Sanders, City Clerk     |                      |
| Patricia Brown, City Treasurer  |                      |
| James Brogdon, City Attorney    |                      |

**1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – MAYOR ASHLEY BRADY**

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Ashley Brady.

**2. Reading Ordinance 20-10 AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE TO TEMPORARILY SUSPEND THE NORMAL OPERATING PROCEDURES OF MARION CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS AND TO AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO DEVELOP AND ENACT A PLAN IN ORDER TO ENSURE CONTINUITY IN THE DELIVERY OF GOVERNMENT SERVICES IN LIGHT OF THE COVID-19 OUTBREAK; AND MATTERS RELATED THERETO**

*A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Emerson Hunt, seconded by Councilman Ralph Atkinson to adopt Ordinance 20-10. The motion carried.*

**3. RESOLUTION ON COVID-19 MASK REQUIRED IN PUBLIC – DISCUSSION**

Mayor stated that Alan passed out handout concerning the cases in the past 14 days of Marion County and there are 128 new cases. The sheet is broken down by Counties and the City of Marion has 57 new cases, and the City of Mullins has 48 new cases. Mayor stated with the concern of the Covid-19 he thought the best thing to do would be to adopt a resolution asking our citizens to wear a mask in public. This is a resolution not an ordinance. There are no fines, and no penalties just strongly encouraging our citizens to wear a face covering mask. The Mayor read the resolution word for word. Mayor emphasized to all our citizens if they are outside and cannot keep 6 feet distance, put on mask. He also stated that it is not that difficult, and if you are in proximity in grocery store just wear a mask. ***A motion was made by Councilman Ralph Atkinson, seconded by Councilwoman Tassie Lewis to approve the Resolution.*** A brief discussion was held among the Council to include but not limited to the conversation to encourage everyone to wear a face mask, lead by example, sign's in businesses, and fines should be given. The motion carried.

Mayor also mentioned that we have purchased a scanner for the Police department and the court room. He stated that it is basically an iPad and you would walk up to it and the iPad recognized and takes picture and you would get a red light or a green light. Green light you can enter the Police Department and court room. Red light means that you can't.

Mayor also mentioned that since he has everyone together we have a City Council meeting next week and a brief discussion concerning phone call and

in person meeting was discussed. Council decided to make it an option to either call in or meet in person.

Mayor also reminds everyone about the blood drive on July 16, 2020. They will run test to see if you've been exposed to COVID-19.

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

***A motion was made by Councilman Ralph Atkinson to adjourn.***

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Mayor Ashley Brady

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Ainsley Sanders, City Clerk  
Taped: July 6, 2020